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Offer their professional services to the public.
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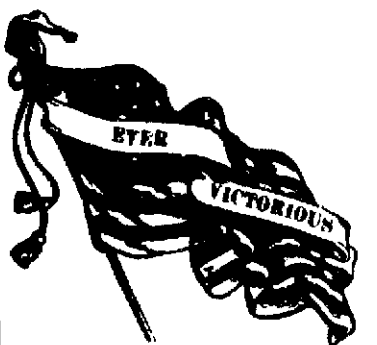
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The Geo. Steck & Co. Piano,
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Cabinet Organ!
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STANDARD ORGAN,
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BREECH AND MUZZLE LOADING

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RIFLES, REVOLVERS,

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ing, Iron and Brass

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GAS FIXTURES

RUBBER BUTTON

CHAIN PUMPS,

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OPIMUM

Sheriff's Sale.

Redemption Notice.

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DULL TIMES IN JOURNALISM.

Last week a well dressed gentleman entered the editorial rooms of the *Chronicle* and accosted the editor as follows:

"I have been a subscriber to your paper for years, and find a good deal of interesting matter in the *Shady Chronicle*."

"Now, I know that you newspaper men very often find news scarce, and are glad to get something to fill up with, so I thought I'd write an article (pointing to a roll of paper in his hand) and bring it in. It will do to fill up with. News is a little short just now, is it not?"

"Well, yes, it has been dull for several days," responded the editor, looking up and remarking that the visitor was a gentleman of evident culture.

"So you think that we sometimes run short of matter, eh? Well, please leave your manuscript. Can you call in this evening, about eleven o'clock?" "Certainly," said the visitor, and then departed.

Eleven o'clock came, and with it the man who wanted to "fill up" the columns of the paper. The city editor requested him to be seated, and went on with his work of expurgating the surplusage from an article written by a reporter. By and by a tall man strode into the room. It was the editor in chief. "Got much to-day?" he inquired. "Not much," replied the city editor, "it is dull to-day."

"Well, had everything down, said the chief, and withdrew. A half hour passed, and the reporters came dropping in one by one. "Everything down, gentlemen," said the city editor, and went on reading the reporters' articles as they were written up and deposited on the table, and the visitor saw with some surprise that about one quarter of every article was erased.

"They must be crowded for room," he thought. Shortly before twelve o'clock a discussion was heard in the adjoining room between two *attaches* of the paper. "Everything is cut down to the lowest possible notch," said a voice, which the visitor recognized as the editor in chief. "But the form is already full," protested the other voice. "I can't squeeze in anything more."

"That special from Chicago must go," said voice No. 1.

"Voice No. 2—"The form is jam full!"

No. 2—"Then take out that half column of the Independent convention?"

No. 1—"Even then we won't have near room enough."

No. 2—"Take out that experiment with the telephone?"

Both men then entered the city editor's room. They were the chief and the foreman of the composing room. "What have you got to come?" asked the chief.

"About three quarters of a column if the subjects were fully written up two columns and a half would be required."

"What are they?" asked the chief.

"The annual meeting of the Dental Association."

"Leave it out," said the chief.

"The fire on K— street, five buildings destroyed."

"Condense it into twenty lines," he said. "What else?"

"An interview with Senator ———"

"It ought to have a column, but we have only given it a third."

"Let it go over until to-morrow. Now, foreman, have you room?"

"Not yet, I have still a column and a half that I cannot find room for."

The chief and foreman then inspected the form, and the upshot was that a column of live advertisements and three quarters of a column of interesting news were taken bodily out of the form to make room for more important matter. The visitor addressed the city editor, remarking that there must be a rash of news to-night.

"On the contrary," replied the editor, "it is dull. This discussion is a regular occurrence, and during a service of years on this paper I never knew a night to go by without a quantity of good reading matter being thrown out for want of room. You will now see why I asked you to call at this late hour. You are a man of education and experience, you, like the rest of the public, labor under the impression that newspapers have to struggle to get sufficient to fill their columns. Nothing is more erroneous. Metropolitan dailies are never in a strait for interesting matter, but are generally troubled as to what news articles shall be condensed or left out for want of room. To-morrow night — *San Francisco Chronicle*."

Just received, the latest

WINTER FASHIONS
at Linn & Seigrist's

The Great Popularity of the "Old Dominion" Buck Gloves and Gaiters

has induced parties, both in Decatur and surrounding towns, to sell inferior gloves under this name. None are genuine unless stamped "Geo. Ott" on the inside and to have only of

Oct 2—1877

For Coughs and Colds take Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup. It has cured thousands. Recommend it to your friend and neighbor. Price only 25 cents. Sold by all druggists.

Leave Orders at Abel & Locke's exclusive carpet store for whitewashing, calico printing, pasting, plastering and repairing (interior). All orders promptly attended to.

Feb 11—1878

FOR SALE

In consequence of my removal from the city, I will sell cheaply my stock of goods, consisting of a large quantity of fine furniture, carpets, and other household goods, at a great discount. The goods are located at the residence of the undersigned, on North Main street, between the city and county lines. All who wish to purchase, please call on or write to the undersigned, at the residence of the undersigned, on North Main street, between the city and county lines.

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'CHEAP CHARLEY'

ONE PRICE ONLY.

STRAIGHT & SQUARE DEALING

THE

POOR MAN'S FRIEND,

Announces to his Patrons that in consequence of a recent increase in the price of goods, he has been compelled to raise the price of his goods, and that he is now selling at a profit.

FACTORY, 72 NORTH CLARK STREET, CHICAGO.

An Extreme Heavy Stock of

SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS!

REGARDLESS OF ANY PROFITS

AND SOME GOODS AT LESS THAN COST.

FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS ONLY.

Now is Your Time to Buy

OVERCOATS,

HEAVY SUITS,

HEAVY PANTS,

Heavy Boots and Shoes,

Hats and Caps,

and Heavy Underwear,

At prices not to suit us, but to suit you and the times. We must make room for New Stock, and we will do it.

Kaufman & Bachrach.

Feb 22, 1878. JAWW

FLOUR! FLOUR!

Shellabarger & Co's

Flour is Giving Splendid Satisfaction.

Best White Wheat Flour, \$3.00 per barrel.

Best White Wheat Flour, \$2.75 per barrel.

FRESH MEATS!

F. M. Carver

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in

Fresh Meats, Sausage, Pickling, Etc.

Redemption Notices.

To B. T. Bingham, of whom it may concern.

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, on the 21st day of June, A. D. 1878, for the taxes for the year 1877, I purchased the following described land, to-wit: North half, southwest quarter, section 20, township 20, range 10, north of range 10, east of range 10, in the name of B. T. Bingham, and that the time of the redemption thereof will expire on the 21st day of June, A. D. 1878.

JOHN N. HILLS

To J. C. Dunlap, of whom it may concern.

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To S. A. Knight and O. W. Baker, of whom it may concern.

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To Stephen Sharkey, of whom it may concern.

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Trustee's Sale.

WILLIAMS & CO., Auctioneers and Real Estate Agents, 101 North Main Street, Decatur, Illinois.

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